

# SUDBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS



## 2016 PRELIMINARY PARENT SURVEY RESULTS

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# Participation



School	#/% of Complete Responses	# of Students
Haynes	73 (18.1%)	404
Loring	93 (19.4%)	480
Nixon	86 (23.0%)	375
Noyes	116 (19.5%)	595
ECMS	217 (22.0%)	990
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>585 (20.6%)</b>	2844

# Survey Questions



Parents were asked questions in the following categories:

- Academics
- Communication
- Discipline and Respect
- Homework
- Monitoring Student Progress
- Outreach and Engagement
- Quality and Satisfaction
- Responsiveness
- School Climate
- School Pride

# Identifying Strengths



- Scores of 67% favorable are generally considered strengths
- Scores of 75% + favorable are generally considered real strengths

# Identifying Opportunities/Needs



- Scores of 20% - 30% unfavorable are generally considered an area for improvement
- Scores of 30%+ unfavorable are generally considered an area for immediate improvement.

# Overall Results by Dimension

## FY16/FY15/FY14

Dimension	Favorable%	Neutral %	Unfavorable %
Academics (8)	71%/68%/64%	19%/21%/30%	10%/11%/15%
Communication (5)	84%/85%/83%	10%/10%/10%	6%/5%/7%
Discipline and Respect (4)	63%/64%/63%	30%/30%/27%	7%/6%/10%
Homework (3)	69%/64%/66%	16%/16%/16%	15%/20%/18%
Monitoring Student Progress (2)	67%/64%/65%	20%/19%/18%	13%/17%/17%
Outreach and Engagement (6)	82%/81%/81%	12%/12%/12%	6%/7%/7%
Quality and Satisfaction (3)	77%/74%/68%	14%/16%/18%	9%/10%/14%
School Climate (12)	84%/82%/79%	12%/12%/14%	4%/6%/7%
Responsiveness (3)	81%/81%/79%	14%/13%/14%	5%/6%/7%
School Pride (3)	81%/81%/77%	14%/14%/15%	5%/5%/8%

# 10 Highest Rated Questions



- Communication (2)
- Outreach and Engagement (3)
- School Climate (4)
- Discipline and Respect (1)

# “Top 10” Questions with Favorable Response



- I attend most school events offered to parents such as parent-teacher conferences and open houses.  
2016 – 93%/2015 - 93%/2014 - 95%
- I believe that parent/guardian involvement is positively related to a child's achievement.  
2016-96%/2015 - 95%/2014 - 95%
- There is an active Parent Association at my child's school.  
2016-94%/2015 - 92%/2014 - 94%
- I am kept up-to-date on school activities and events.  
2016-93%/2015 - 92%/2014 - 93%
- The school encourages students to be responsible.  
2016-92%/2015 - 90%/2014 - 93%



# “Top 10” Questions with Favorable Response



- School staff is courteous and helpful.  
2016-89%/2015 - 93%/2014 - 88%
- *School Facilities are well-maintained. 2016-92%*
- Teachers at my child’s school appear to be enthusiastic about teaching.  
2016-88%/2015 - 89%/2014 – 82%
- I know how to get school information when I need it.  
2016-87%/2015 - 88%/2014 - 86%
- *The school offers its students a safe environment to learn.  
2016-87%*

# Unfavorable Responses



- Academic
- Homework
- Discipline and Respect
- Outreach and Engagement
- Monitoring Student Progress
- Quality and Satisfaction
- Communication

# “Top 10” Questions with Unfavorable Response



- My child’s school offers him/her opportunities to explore areas of interest outside the core content areas.

2016-23%/2015 - 24%/2014 – 32%

- The school does a great job of challenging my child to his/her full potential.

2016-19%/2015 - 24%/2014 – 28%

- The amount of homework given to my child is appropriate.

2016-17%/2015 - 19%/2014 – 21%

- I am involved in the decisions that affect my child’s education.

2016-18%/2015 - 21%/2014 - 20%

- My child’s school does a very good job of meeting the needs of all its students.

2016-14%/2015 - 16%/2014 – 19%

# “Top 10” Questions with Unfavorable Response



- The level of difficulty associated with my child’s homework is appropriate.  
2016-12%/2015 - 20%/2014 – 18%
- I am informed of my child’s academic progress on a regular basis.  
2016-15%/2015 - 19%/2014 – 17%
- Oftentimes, my child’s homework assignment requires interaction with me or others in our family.  
2016-16%/2015 - 21%/2014 – 16%
- I feel well informed about my child’s school life.  
2016-11%/2015-15%
- It is very clear to me what the teacher(s) expect of my child in terms of school work.  
2016-11%/2015 - 16%/2014 - 15%

# Satisfaction with overall quality

## 2016/2015/2014

Grade	Unfavorable	Neutral	Favorable
K	3%/0%/2%	5%/8%/10%	92%/92%/88%
1	2%/4%/4%	7%/10%/9%	91%/86%/87%
2	4%/6%/8%	5%/6%/6%	91%/88%/86%
3	3%/0%/8%	10%/24%/13%	87%/76%/79%
4	6%/12%/2%	5%/7%/8%	89%/81%/90%
5	3%/6%/7%	7%/4%/11%	90%/90%/82%
6	5%/4%/12%	7%/0%/14%	88%/96%/74%
7	4%/6%/16%	5%/9%/18%	91%/85%/66%
8	11%/6%/20%	10%/10%/9%	79%/84%/71%
N/R (20)	25%/50%/51%	20%/0%/31%	55%/50%/18%

# School provides a high quality education

## 2016/2015/2014

Grade	Unfavorable	Neutral	Favorable
K	4%/0%/4%	7%/10%/15%	89%/90%/81%
1	2%/6%/6%	6%/8%/16%	92%/86%/78%
2	4%/6%/6%	9%/17%/10%	87%/77%/84%
3	6%/4%/10%	6%/29%/23%	88%/79%/67%
4	4%/10%/4%	16%/10%/8%	80%/80%/88%
5	4%/9%/9%	6%/7%/13%	90%/84%/78%
6	5%/7%/9%	7%/7%/19%	88%/86%/72%
7	5%/6%/11%	10%/18%/24%	85%/76%/65%
8	10%/3%/12%	19%/19%/24%	71%/78%/64%
N/R (20)	20%/34%/37%	30%/17%/44%	50%/49%/19%

# Opportunities to explore areas of interest outside the core content areas 2016/2015/2014

Grade	Unfavorable	Neutral	Favorable
K	13%/18%/23%	37%/33%/44%	50%/49%/33%
1	13%/14%/20%	38%/41%/33%	49%/45%/47%
2	17%/14%/31%	31%/40%/24%	52%/46%/45%
3	24%/40%/42%	35%/24%/25%	41%/36%/33%
4	21%/27%/24%	28%/32%/29%	51%/41%/47%
5	25%/37%/37%	26%/28%/22%	49%/35%/41%
6	19%/33%/28%	30%/25%/12%	51%/42%/60%
7	26%/21%/48%	34%/33%/32%	40%/46%/20%
8	29%/29%/24%	27%/39%/29%	44%/32%/47%
N/R	50%/17%/76%	30%/33%/19%	20%/50%/5%

# Challenging my child to his/her full potential

## 2016/2015/2014

Grade	Unfavorable	Neutral	Favorable
K	11%/18%/21%	24%/18%/21%	65%/64%/58%
1	15%/14%/25%	20%/33%/16%	65%/53%/59%
2	17%/26%/30%	23%/29%/20%	60%/45%/50%
3	19%/29%/38%	20%/20%/30%	61%/51%/32%
4	14%/20%/20%	26%/24%/15%	60%/56%/65%
5	15%/21%/28%	17%/28%/24%	68%/51%/48%
6	10%/14%/24%	21%/32%/24%	69%/54%/52%
7	21%/24%/32%	24%/15%/18%	55%/61%/50%
8	25%/22%/24%	13%/32%/31%	62%/46%/45%
N/R	40%/33%/76%	40%/33%/13%	20%/34%/11%



# School offers safe environment to learn

## 2016/2015/2014

Grade	Unfavorable	Neutral	Favorable
K	1%/0%/4%	4%/10%/4%	95%/90%/92%
1	2%/0%/4%	9%/8%/4%	89%/92%/92%
2	2%/3%/4%	7%/3%/4%	91%/94%/92%
3	0%/2%/12%	10%/11%/6%	90%/87%/82%
4	1%/5%/0%	7%/12%/8%	92%/83%/92%
5	4%/2%/6%	7%/2%/16%	89%/96%/88%
6	1%/8%/0%	8%/0%/19%	91%/92%/81%
7	4%/9%/5%	8%/12%/3%	88%/79%/92%
8	7%/0%/8%	9%/6%/10%	84%/94%/82%
N/R	10%/0%/19%	30%/33%/19%	60%/67%/62%

# Amount of homework given is appropriate

## 2016/2015/2014



Grade	Unfavorable	Neutral	Favorable
K	10%/5%/8%	20%/28%19%	70%/67%/73%
1	13%/14%/16%	11%/12%/11%	76%/74%/73%
2	18%/11%/18%	15%/9%/10%	67%/80%/72%
3	17%/20%/21%	15%/11%/9%	68%/69%/70%
4	16%/17%/20%	9%/15%/7%	75%/68%/73%
5	17%/27%/19%	12%/4%/17%	71%/69%/64%
6	16%/22%/29%	16%/11%/14%	68%/67%/57%
7	16%/24%/27%	20%/18%/18%	64%/58%/55%
8	27%/19%/31%	15%/23%/12%	58%/58%/57%
N/R	25%/33%/26%	10%/33%/19%	65%/34%/55%

# Level of homework difficulty is appropriate

## 2016/2015/2014

Grade	Unfavorable	Neutral	Favorable
K	6%/15%/6%	23%/23%/33%	71%/62%/61%
1	12%/14%/17%	16%/18%/18%	72%/68%/65%
2	16%/17%/20%	15%/14%/10%	69%/69%/70%
3	13%/25%/23%	18%/20%/13%	69%/55%/64%
4	11%/17%/15%	16%/17%/12%	73%/63%/73%
5	18%/24%/20%	18%/7%/13%	64%/69%/67%
6	9%/18%/19%	18%/18%/19%	73%/64%/62%
7	9%/24%/21%	23%/9%/16%	68%/67%/63%
8	15%/16%/15%	15%/19%/16%	70%/65%/69%
N/R	25%/17%/38%	15%/33%/13%	60%/50%/49%

# I am involved in the decisions that affect my child's education 2016/2015/2014

Grade	Unfavorable	Neutral	Favorable
K	11%/13%/13%	27%/28%/23%	62%/59%/64%
1	8%/18%/22%	28%/31%/27%	64%/51%/51%
2	10%/17%/8%	28%/29%/25%	62%/54%/67%
3	14%/29%/29%	32%/31%/28%	54%/40%/43%
4	15%/19%/14%	27%/32%/25%	58%/49%/61%
5	9%/15%/21%	26%/30%/20%	65%/55%/59%
6	18%/25%/19%	21%/21%/19%	61%/54%/62%
7	24%/36%/29%	32%/21%/29%	44%/43%/42%
8	18%/13%/24%	28%/35%/26%	54%/52%/50%
N/R	40%/17%/62%	30%/17%/25%	30%/66%/13%

# My child's school does a very good job of meeting the needs of all its students 2016/2015/2014

Grade	Unfavorable	Neutral	Favorable
K	8%/5%/6%	24%/18%/27%	68%/77%/67%
1	12%/8%/18%	19%/24%/13%	69%/68%/69%
2	9%/11%/18%	26%/29%/16%	65%/60%/66%
3	14%/18%/22%	18%/27%/36%	68%/55%/42%
4	11%/15%/12%	24%/17%/19%	65%/68%/69%
5	9%/22%/15%	20%/17%/15%	71%/61%/70%
6	12%/11%/19%	20%/18%/31%	68%/71%/50%
7	11%/18%/18%	29%/27%/29%	60%/55%/53%
8	17%/23%/23%	27%/35%/24%	56%/42%/53%
N/R	45%/50%/76%	30%/33%/19%	25%/17%/5%

# My child gets support needed at school

## 2016/2015/2014



Grade	Unfavorable	Neutral	Favorable
K	5%/6%/6%	14%/13%/23%	81%/81%/71%
1	8%/8%/9%	9%/20%/7%	83%/72%/84%
2	4%/6%/8%	12%/14%/12%	84%/80%/80%
3	7%/15%/10%	14%/11%/19%	79%/74%/71%
4	10%/7%/7%	10%/12%/14%	80%/81%/79%
5	2%/13%/8%	14%/15%/11%	84%/72%/81%
6	7%/7%/12%	16%/7%/24%	77%/86%/64%
7	12%/6%/8%	9%/9%/24%	79%/85%/68%
8	10%/10%/21%	17%/23%/14%	73%/67%/65%
N/R	35%/34%/37%	15%/33%/44%	50%/33%/19%

# My child's school does an excellent job educating students 2016/2015/2014

Grade	Unfavorable	Neutral	Favorable
K	1%/0%/2%	11%/15%/13%	88%/85%/85%
1	2%/2%/7%	7%/14%/13%	91%/84%/80%
2	6%/3%/10%	8%/20%/6%	86%/77%/84%
3	3%/0%/12%	13%/22%/19%	84%/78%/69%
4	5%/7%/7%	10%/5%/8%	85%/88%/85%
5	2%/9%/9%	11%/7%/13%	87%/84%/78%
6	4%/4%/12%	10%/7%/14%	86%/89%/74%
7	6%/3%/11%	11%/6%/32%	83%/91%/57%
8	8%/6%/16%	21%/13%/14%	71%/81%/70%
N/R	15%/33%/63%	30%/17%/13%	55%/50%/24%

# Effective use of technology for instructional purposes 2016/2015/2014

Grade	Unfavorable	Neutral	Favorable
K	5%/0%/6%	11%/23%/21%	84%/77%/73%
1	2%/4%/7%	19%/24%/22%	79%/72%/71%
2	2%/6%/12%	21%/23%/14%	77%/71%/74%
3	5%/9%/13%	14%/29%/28%	81%/62%/59%
4	5%/4%/7%	21%/24%/12%	74%/72%/81%
5	8%/2%/13%	9%/20%/17%	83%/78%/70%
6	6%/4%/12%	8%/11%/17%	86%/85%/71%
7	5%/6%/21%	14%/6%/29%	81%/88%/50%
8	6%/3%/13%	10%/39%/26%	84%/58%/61%
N/R	15%/0%/19%	30%/0%/44%	55%/100%/37%